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Dr. Kenneth McDonald CIA Historian 203 Key Building Washington, DC 20205

Dear Mr McDonald:

Dr. William M. Hammond, an official historian with the Center of Military History, is preparing a volume of the military relations with the news media during the Vietnam conflict and has to conduct research in the national security files at the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library. He was advised by the library director, Mr. David Humphrey, that permission is required to examine CIA documents held at the library.

Dr. Hammond has a TOP SECRET clearance, verification of which is being sent directly to the Johnson Library. Any notes made by Dr. Hammond from GIA documents and copies of CIA documents selected by him will be submitted for review prior to release to the Army. A final draft of the manuscript will be sent to the CIA for review prior to publication.

Please convey your decision regarding Dr. Hammond's access to Central Intelligence Agency documents in the national security files of the Johnson Library directly to Mr. David Humphrey, Archivist, Lyndon B. Johnson Library, Austin, Texas, 70875, with a duplicate copy sent to this office. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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